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**Subject: George Snyder Trail Construction Project** 

## Dear Resident:

We would like to inform you of some exciting news about the walking and biking trail proposed on a portion of the City owned land between Ranger Road and Chain Bridge Road designated as the George T. Snyder Jr. Trail and Open Space. At the March 10, 2015 City Council meeting, funding was approved to construct 300 feet of asphalt trail from the west side of Plantation Parkway (near the old 7-11 store) west to the southern side of the north fork of the Accotink Creek terminating inside the Fairfax Boulevard Marketplace near the new 7-11 store.

The construction of the trail from Plantation Parkway to the rear of Fairfax Boulevard Marketplace is just a small portion of the trail to be eventually built. Proposed future trail links will be constructed to eventually connect to Chain Bridge Road.

The trail alignment was proposed primarily due to its location and ability to connect communities, park/open space and the businesses along the Fairfax Boulevard corridor. The funding source is a mixture of state funds, local transportation tax funds and developer proffer funds.

## **Trail Construction Timeframe**

Construction will begin mid-May 2015 and is expected to be completed and open by early July 2015. A portion of the sidewalk on the west side of Plantation Parkway might be closed for a brief period of time for installation of an accessible ramp to the crosswalk and signs will be posted in advance of the construction. Project details and progress will be posted on the City website (<a href="www.fairfaxva.gov">www.fairfaxva.gov</a>) under the Parks and Recreation, Parks and Trails, Park Projects page.

A copy of the approved design layout is attached for your information. If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me at 703.385.7949 or via email at <a href="mailto:leslie.herman@fairfaxva.gov">leslie.herman@fairfaxva.gov</a>.

Thank you for your support of the George T. Snyder Trail.

Sincerely,

Leslie Herman

Acting Director of Parks and Recreation